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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Add new claims 149-210.

--149. A method of detecting the ability of a test sample to affect the binding interaction of a first peptide and a second peptide of a peptide binding pair that bind through extracellular interaction in their natural environment, comprising:

- (i) culturing at least one *Saccharomyces* cell, wherein the *Saccharomyces* cell comprises;
- a) a nucleotide sequence encoding a first heterologous fusion protein comprising the first peptide or a segment thereof joined to a transcriptional activation protein DNA binding domain;
- b) a nucleotide sequence encoding a second heterologous fusion protein comprising the second peptide or a segment thereof joined to a transcriptional activation protein transcriptional activation domain;

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